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§ 1. Introduction.

We propose here an axiom system for nonstandard set theory, which can be used to formalize nonstandard mathematics. A theory with the axiom system, which we write **NST**, is an extension of *internal set theory* **IST** which Nelson [2] has given. The theory **NST** deals with external sets directly while **IST** does not. The axiom system of the theory **NST** is similar to that of a theory $\mathfrak{N}\mathfrak{S}_2$ which Hrbacek [1] has given. The differences between the two are in the axiom schema of saturation and the axiom of standardization (the axiom of transfer in [1]). In §3 it is proved that **NST** is a conservative extension of **ZFC** (Zermelo-Fraenkel set theory with the axiom of choice).

§2. Axioms.

We add new unary predicates S and I to the theory **ZFC** formalized in a language having a binary predicate ϵ . Thus we obtain a nonstandard extension **NST** of **ZFC**. Boldface types \mathbf{a} , \mathbf{A} , \dots denote variables of **NST**. We consider that they range over external sets. $S(\mathbf{a})$ reads: \mathbf{a} is a standard set. Variables ranging over standard sets are denoted by lightface letters a , A, \dots ; intuitively, the standard sets can be identified with the members of the "universe of discourse" of **ZFC**. $I(\mathbf{a})$ reads: \mathbf{a} is an internal set. Variables ranging over internal sets are denoted by Greek letters α, β, \dots .

If ϕ is a formula of **ZFC**, ${}^s\phi$ (${}^i\phi$, respectively) denotes a formula obtained by replacing all variables of ϕ by variables ranging over standard sets (internal sets, respectively).

The axioms of **NST** are the following [A. 1]–[A. 12].

[A. 1] ${}^s\phi$ is an axiom of **NST** whenever the sentence ϕ is an axiom of **ZFC**.

[A. 2] $(\forall a) I(a)$.

All standard sets are internal.

[A. 3] $(\forall \alpha)(\forall \mathbf{b}) [\mathbf{b} \in \alpha \rightarrow I(\mathbf{b})]$.

The class of the internal sets is transitive.

[A. 4] (*Transfer Principle*)

Let $\phi(k_1, \dots, k_n)$ be a formula of **ZFC** with free variables k_1, \dots, k_n and no other free variables. Then

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$$(\forall a_1, \dots, a_n) [{}^I\phi(a_1, \dots, a_n) \equiv {}^S\phi(a_1, \dots, a_n)].$$

We define

\mathbf{a} is finite
 $\equiv (\exists m; \text{natural number}) (\exists f) [f: \mathbf{a} \rightarrow m \text{ (1:1, onto)}].$

[A. 5] (*The Axiom Schema of Saturation*)

Let $\Psi(\mathbf{a})$ be a formula of NST with a free variable \mathbf{a} and possibly other free variables; let $\Omega(\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b})$ be a formula of NST with free variables \mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b} and possibly other free variables; and let $\phi(k_1, k_2, l_1, \dots, l_n)$ be a formula of ZFC with free variables $k_1, k_2, l_1, \dots, l_n$ and no other free variables. Then

$$\left. \begin{aligned} &(\forall \beta) [\Psi(\beta) \rightarrow (\exists \alpha) \Omega(\alpha, \beta)] \\ &\wedge (\forall \alpha)(\forall \beta)(\forall \gamma) [\Omega(\alpha, \beta) \wedge \Omega(\alpha, \gamma) \rightarrow \beta = \gamma] \\ &\rightarrow (\forall \xi_1, \dots, \xi_n) \end{aligned} \right\} \text{ (SS)}$$

$$\left[\begin{aligned} &(\forall \delta) [\delta \text{ is finite} \wedge (\forall \alpha \in \delta) \Psi(\alpha) \rightarrow (\exists \beta)(\forall \alpha \in \delta) {}^I\phi(\alpha, \beta, \xi_1, \dots, \xi_n)] \\ &\rightarrow (\exists \beta)(\forall \alpha) [\Psi(\alpha) \rightarrow {}^I\phi(\alpha, \beta, \xi_1, \dots, \xi_n)] \end{aligned} \right].$$

A formula Ψ is said to be a SS-formula if there is a formula Ω such that the sentence (SS) is a theorem of NST. For example, the predicate S is a SS-formula.

[A. 5E] (*The Axiom Schema of Enlarging*)

Let $\phi(k_1, k_2, l_1, \dots, l_n)$ be a formula of ZFC with free variables $k_1, k_2, l_1, \dots, l_n$ and no other free variables. Then

$$\left[\begin{aligned} &(\forall x_1, \dots, x_n) \\ &[(\forall d) [d \text{ is finite} \rightarrow (\exists b)(\forall a \in d) {}^S\phi(a, b, x_1, \dots, x_n)] \\ &\rightarrow (\exists \beta)(\forall \alpha) {}^I\phi(\alpha, \beta, x_1, \dots, x_n) \end{aligned} \right].$$

The axiom schema [A.5E] is weaker than [A.5].

[A. 6] (*The Axiom of Standardization*)

$$(\forall A) [(\exists S) A \subset S \rightarrow (\exists \alpha)(\forall x) [x \in A \equiv x \in \alpha]].$$

The standard set a having the same standard elements as A is denoted by $*A$; $*A$ is called the standard kernel of A .

[A. 7] (*The Axiom of Extensionality*)

$$(\forall A, B) [A = B \equiv (\forall x) [x \in A \equiv x \in B]].$$

[A. 8] (*The Axiom of Pairing*)

$$(\forall A, B)(\exists C)(\forall x) [x \in C \equiv x = A \vee x = B].$$

[A. 9] (*The Axiom of Union*)

$$(\forall A)(\exists B)(\forall x) [x \in B \equiv (\exists y) [x \in y \wedge y \in A]].$$

[A. 10] (*The Axiom Schema of Comprehension*)

Let $\Phi(\mathbf{x})$ be a formula of NST with a free variable \mathbf{x} and possibly other free variables. Then

$$(\forall A)(\exists B)(\forall \mathbf{x}) [x \in B \equiv x \in A \wedge \Phi(\mathbf{x})].$$

[A. 11] (*The Axiom of Power Set*)

$$(\forall A)(\exists B)(\forall \mathbf{x}) [x \in B \equiv x \subset A].$$

[A. 12] (*Well Ordering Principle*)

$$(\forall A)(\exists B) [B \text{ wellorders } A].$$

§ 3. The conservation theorem.

The following theorem shows that NST is a conservative extension of ZFC. A process of extension is based on an idea in [1], and our proof is more elementary.

Theorem. *Let ψ be a sentence of ZFC. If ${}^s\psi$ is a theorem of NST, then ψ is a theorem of ZFC.*

Proof. Only finitely many of axioms from [A. 1], say ${}^s\psi_1, \dots, {}^s\psi_n$, and axioms from [A.2]–[A.12] are used in the proof of ${}^s\psi$ within NST. By reflection principle, there is a set R such that any subset of an element of R is an element of R and such that

$$(\psi \equiv \psi^R) \wedge \psi_1^R \wedge \dots \wedge \psi_n^R,$$

where ψ^R and others are the relativizations of ψ and others to R , respectively. Let J be an infinite set, and let \mathcal{F} be an ultrafilter on J . Put $V_0 = R^J \times \{0\}$ and define a one-to-one mapping ζ of R into V_0 by

$$\zeta(a) = (\bar{a}, 0) \quad (a \in R), \quad \bar{a}(j) = a \quad (j \in J).$$

Let i_0 and e_0 denote binary relations in V_0 such that

$$((p, 0), (q, 0)) \in i_0 \equiv \{j \in J: p(j) = q(j)\} \in \mathcal{F} \quad (p, q \in R^J)$$

and

$$((p, 0), (q, 0)) \in e_0 \equiv \{j \in J: p(j) \in q(j)\} \in \mathcal{F} \quad (p, q \in R^J),$$

respectively. We extend V_0 inductively by

$$V_{n+1} = V_0 \cup (P(V_n) \times \{1\}) \quad (\text{for each nonnegative integer } n)$$

and

$$V = \bigcup_{n=0}^{\infty} V_n,$$

where $P(V_n)$ is the power set of V_n . Then we have

$$V_0 \subset V_1 \subset V_2 \subset \dots \subset V_n \subset \dots \subset V$$

and

$$V_0 \cap \left(\bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} P(V_n) \times \{1\} \right) = \emptyset.$$

Furthermore, we proceed by induction. Suppose that $i_0, \dots, i_m, e_0, \dots, e_m$ have been defined so that they satisfy the following conditions (1) and (2).

(1) Let n be an integer such that $0 \leq n \leq m$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} i_n &\subset V_n \times V_n, & e_n &\subset V_n \times V_n; \\ (\forall a_1, a_2, b \in V_n) & [(a_1, a_2) \in i_n \wedge (a_1, b) \in e_n \rightarrow (a_2, b) \in e_n]; \\ (\forall a, b \in V_n) & [(a, b) \in i_n \equiv (\forall c \in V_n) [(c, a) \in e_n \equiv (c, b) \in e_n]]. \end{aligned}$$

(2) Let n be an integer such that $1 \leq n \leq m$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} i_n \cap (V_{n-1} \times V_{n-1}) &= i_{n-1}, & e_n \cap (V_{n-1} \times V_{n-1}) &= e_{n-1}; \\ \text{for } a \in V_{n-1} \text{ and } b &= (z, 1) (z \in P(V_{n-1})), \\ (a, b) \in e_n &\equiv (\exists c \in V_{n-1}) [(a, c) \in i_{n-1} \wedge c \in z]; \\ \text{for } a, b \in V_n, \\ (a, b) \in e_n &\equiv (\exists c \in V_{n-1}) [(a, c) \in i_n \wedge (c, b) \in e_n]. \end{aligned}$$

Define e'_{m+1} as the union of $(V_m \times V_0) \cap e_m$ and

$$\{(a, (z, 1)) : a \in V_m \wedge z \in P(V_m) \wedge (\exists c \in V_m) [(a, c) \in i_m \wedge c \in z]\}.$$

Moreover, we define

$$i_{m+1} = \{(a, b) \in V_{m+1} \times V_{m+1} : (\forall c \in V_m) [(c, a) \in e'_{m+1} \equiv (c, b) \in e'_{m+1}]\}$$

and

$$e_{m+1} = \{(a, b) \in V_{m+1} \times V_{m+1} : (\exists c \in V_m) [(a, c) \in i_{m+1} \wedge (c, b) \in e'_{m+1}]\}.$$

It follows that $i_0, \dots, i_m, i_{m+1}, e_0, \dots, e_m, e_{m+1}$ satisfy the conditions obtained from (1) and (2) by replacing m by $m+1$. We have thus defined by induction binary relations i_n and e_n for every nonnegative integer n . Let

$$i = \bigcup_{n=0}^{\infty} i_n, \quad e = \bigcup_{n=0}^{\infty} e_n.$$

Then we have

$$\begin{aligned} i &\subset V \times V, & i \cap (V_n \times V_n) &= i_n (n \geq 0); \\ e &\subset V \times V, & e \cap (V_n \times V_n) &= e_n (n \geq 0); \end{aligned}$$

and

(3) for $a_1, a_2, b \in V$,

$$(a_1, a_2) \in i \wedge (a_1, b) \in e \rightarrow (a_2, b) \in e;$$

(4) for $a, b \in V$,

$$(a, b) \in i \equiv (\forall c \in V) [(c, a) \in e \equiv (c, b) \in e];$$

(5) for $a \in V$ and $b \in V - V_0$ ($b = (z, 1)$, $z \in \bigcup_{n=0}^{\infty} P(V_n)$),

$$(a, b) \in e \equiv (\exists c \in V) [(a, c) \in i \wedge c \in z];$$

(6) for $a \in V$ and $b \in V_n (n \geq 1)$,

$$(a, b) \in e \equiv (\exists c \in V_{n-1}) [(a, c) \in i \wedge (c, b) \in e].$$

Let U be the quotient set of V with respect to the equivalence relation i . We write η for the natural mapping of V onto U . Let $X = \eta[\zeta[R]]$ and $Y = \eta[V_0]$. Then $X \subset Y \subset U$. By (3) and (4), there is a binary relation E in U such that

$$(\eta(a), \eta(b)) \in E \equiv (a, b) \in e \quad (a, b \in V).$$

We claim that U with the interpretations

$$\begin{aligned} (x, y) \in E & \quad \text{for } x \in y, \\ x \in X & \quad \text{for } S(x), \\ x \in Y & \quad \text{for } I(x) \end{aligned}$$

satisfies the axioms ${}^S\psi_1, \dots, {}^S\psi_n$ and [A.2]–[A.12]. For a formula Φ of **NST**, let $\tau(\Phi)$ be a formula of **ZFC** obtained from Φ by the preceding interpretations.

From $\psi_1^R, \dots, \psi_n^R$ we have $\tau({}^S\psi_1), \dots, \tau({}^S\psi_n)$.

It is obvious that U satisfies [A.2].

If ϕ is a formula of **ZFC** and $p_1, \dots, p_n \in R^J$, then Łoś's theorem asserts that

$$\begin{aligned} & \tau({}^I\phi)(\eta((p_1, 0)), \dots, \eta((p_n, 0))) \\ & \equiv \{j \in J : \phi^R(p_1(j), \dots, p_n(j))\} \in \mathcal{F}. \end{aligned}$$

In particular, if $x_1, \dots, x_n \in X$, then

$$\tau({}^I\phi)(x_1, \dots, x_n) \equiv \tau({}^S\phi)(x_1, \dots, x_n).$$

This shows that U satisfies [A.4].

Let \mathcal{F} be a $|R|$ -good ultrafilter, where $|R|$ is the cardinal number of R . If ϕ is a formula of **ZFC** and Q is a subset of Y such that $|Q| \leq |R|$, then

$$\begin{aligned} & (\forall y_1, \dots, y_n \in Y) \\ & \left[(\forall d)[d \text{ is finite} \wedge d \subset Q \rightarrow (\exists b \in Y) (\forall a \in d) \tau({}^I\phi)(a, b, y_1, \dots, y_n)] \right. \\ & \left. \rightarrow (\exists b \in Y) (\forall a \in Q) \tau({}^I\phi)(a, b, y_1, \dots, y_n) \right] \end{aligned}$$

(see, for example, Saito [3, pp. 74–76]). This implies that U satisfies [A.5].

Since any subset of an element of R is an element of R , it follows that U satisfies [A.6].

The remaining axioms follow from (3), (4), (5) and (6). This establishes the claim.

Now the proof of ${}^S\psi$ from ${}^S\psi_1, \dots, {}^S\psi_n$ and [A.2]–[A.12] gives a proof of $\tau({}^S\psi)$ from $\tau({}^S\psi_1), \dots, \tau({}^S\psi_n)$ and the interpretations of [A.2]–[A.12]. The sentence ψ^R follows from $\tau({}^S\psi)$, and so we have ψ . This gives a proof of ψ within **ZFC**.

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